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is of representation, and make it mo

is of the appointment under an act that is under that constitution, the Union is on the other hand, claim, as a convention of delegates from the people, authorized to frame the act of secession. The

act of renewal or allegiance should
through the instrumentality of dele-
fresh from the people. Upon this differ-
of opinion the committee of planter
to the President.

...he had reliable information that a large portion of the Union citizens of Louisiana preferred a convention of the people of the State, to a call of the Legislature upon the convention of 1862,—that he

not then prepared to decide this question. He knew that on the 16th of June, the armies of General Banks were in front of Fort Mifflin, the rebels had temporarily re-occupied all but four or five of the forts of the State, that it would be weeks, until they were re-occupied by the Federal forces.

wait until these were reoccupied by Indians, and he said he did not see granting their request at that time could and he did see how it might embarrass operations of our troops. He preferred wait and see what the Union cause Louisiana desired to see how the

men of Louisiana themselves desired to organize a civil government in accordance with the Constitution and Laws of the United States.

Now, gentlemen, this is all the result that has been made with regard to an effort for the purpose of Louisiana to re-

to the Union. I have with me, respectfully, a letter from New Orleans to be passed by the United Association of the associations of Union men in New Orleans. I will not trouble you with reading them. (Resolutions, read the Resolutions.)

3, I will ask my friend, Mr. Webb, the
man of the meeting, to read them for
Mr. Webb read the resolutions as follows:
At a meeting of the Union Association
New Orleans, held at the Lyceum Hall
ly 20th, 1865, the following preamble
and resolutions were adopted:

Whereas the Unionists of New Orleans have heard with surprise and indignation the attempt on the part of certain gentlemen, claiming to represent the planter and the people of Louisiana, to invade the Federal territory, to invade the Federal

authorities so to act as to fetter once the freeman of this State, by putting force a constitution, the principles of which are utterly at variance with the sentiment of a large majority of the loyal people, repugnant to the spirit of the age,

And whereas, we have read with the
just feelings of satisfaction the noble in-
quiries of our beloved Chief Magistrate
reply to and in rebuke of the self-con-
fessed slavery-preserving delegation,
applauding the efforts of the truly
securing a constitution based upon the

Respectfully, that the Union Association of New Orleans deprecate all efforts for their end the organization of a Government, under the Constitution, force prior to the outbreak of the pre-

Resolved further, That they will oppose by all legitimate means, every measure tending to the recognition of slavery in the Constitution that may hereafter be formed.

Resolved, That the foregoing prayer and resolutions be published in the Orleans Era, and that a copy of the same be signed by the officers of this Association and transmitted to his Excellency, President Lincoln.

JAMES E. LEWELL, Assistant Secretary
I present these resolutions to you in
answer to your call for them, simply for
purpose of showing the difference of o-
pinion that exists in Louisiana, and to
show you that while the committee which

the application to the President for an action to be ordered upon the basis of the constitution of 182, representing fifteen or twenty men in person, and if you please, the interests and the views of a very much larger number of respectable, wealthy and influential

These Union Associations embrace their ranks nearly every man that votes New Orleans and Jefferson for the representatives that were received upon the

of Congress for those districts, many thousands of citizens of New Orleans and every loyal man in that city. I don't undertake to decide between these parties. I don't know how it may be decided by the people. I am not authorized to instruct me. I may enter

one opinion or another, but I deem it to truth and justice, and the good of country, to vindicate upon them this founded assertion that there has been a thing but the hand of welcome extended any State that wanted to return and re-establish. If there was any reluctance

any hesitation in answering to this call and demand, it was, as you may see with aid of the explanation I have given, only that the President might have time to ascertain the facts, that public opinion might settle, that he might decide definitively.

ly as to what terms he might impose, what the wishes of the union citizens Louisiana might be as to the mode in which they would renew their allegiance and devotion to the Union.

particularly appertaining to the State of Louisiana, with my knowledge that the application has been misrepresented and the facts misstated, I have felt it due to cause of truth to devote some time to an explanation of this matter.

Louisiana will return to the Union, and the same mode we can win back to the Union all the rebel States. We must first break down the armies of the rebellion in the field. We must liberate the people of the rebel States from the presence of the army that has made them rebels in substance.

that keep the spirit of Union in subject

as discharge from such draft, which shall exempt him from military duty during the time for which he was drafted. Suppose this provision of the conventional section had been incorporated into the thirteenth, and read:—

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